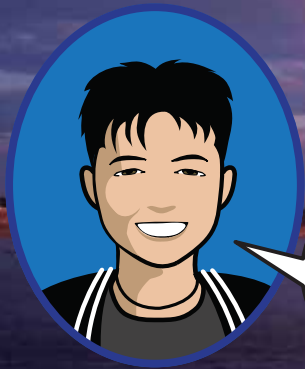


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In this double rainbow, the primary rainbow is brighter and the secondary rainbow has the colors reversed.

Photo by David Sinson, NOAA, Office of Coast Survey.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 1960: Launch of U.S. TIROS 1, the first weather satellite.	2	3 1974: Super Tornado Outbreak, when 148 tornadoes in 13 states touch down over two days, killing 309, injuring 5300, and doing \$600 million in damage.
4 Easter Sunday	5	6	7 2003: Champagne, France, suffers its worst frost in more than 50 years and loses half its grape crop.	8	9 1947: The Woodward Tornado, Oklahoma's deadliest, cuts a 221-mile path, killing 167, injuring 980, and doing almost \$10 million in damage.	10 2001: Costliest hail storm in U.S. history hits St. Louis, MO, with damage at more than \$1.9 billion.
11	12 1934: Record highest wind gust of 231 mph recorded at Mount Washington, NH.	13 1994: Launch of GOES-8 satellite into geostationary orbit to monitor weather and be part of the SARSAT search and rescue system.	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22 1999: A storm hits the U.S. East Coast with hail of golf-ball to grapefruit size. In 6 hours it causes \$75 million in damage. Earth Day	23	24
25 1898: Temperature at Volcano Springs, CA, hits 118°F, the hottest ever recorded in the U.S. in April.	26	27 1987: Launch of GOES-7 weather satellite, the first able to detect signals from emergency beacons carried aboard aircraft and vessels.	28	29 1905: Taylor, TX, gets drenched with 2.4 inches of rain in only 15 minutes.	30 1991: Bangladesh cyclone leaves 10 million people homeless.	

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